City of Taunton

Fun Activities for Families, Children, and Individuals

COVID 19/Coronavirus

Fun Activities for Families, Children, and Individuals during Coronavirus Social Distancing:

- Make a cardboard fort. Take a hint from Kim K. and put those empty Amazon boxes out in the garage to good use!
- Set up a treasure hunt

  Treasure hunts are pretty easy and depending on how many items there are, could last a while. Hide anywhere from 10 to 20 items around the house or outside to keep kids occupied for a few hours.
- Indoor camping

  Set up a tent or make one out of blankets, tell campfire stories, and even make homemade s'mores
- Origami

  YouTube origami tutorials are the perfect way to learn the gratifying Japanese art of paper folding. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNvT4F1eFg2mRI5VFL5y7jA
- Solitaire

  Forget the screen version; teach your kids to play in real life with a deck of actual cards. This game is a time-tested boredom buster.
- Build a Tall Tower

  Set up a simple building challenge with a variety of materials (cardboard boxes, LEGOS or Duplos, blocks, paper towel tubes, etc…) and watch how high the tower gets. Maybe even choose a picture of a familiar building to try to recreate.
- Yoga Class

  Introduce kids to the joys of yoga in a free virtual Growga class, and watch them try some new moves.
- Paper Airplanes

A few simple folds in a sheet of white paper can provide endless fun. Watch a few YouTube videos to get inspiration beyond the obvious.

- Finger Crocheting
  Once you master finger crocheting, pick a project and crochet the day away.
  https://www.thecrafttrain.com/finger-knitting-for-kids/
- Encourage children to be curious and explore by taking Virtual Field Trip Tours. Locations that offer Virtual Tours include:

The Boston Children's Museum

(https://www.bostonchildrensmuseum.org/museum-virtual-tou r) ,

Yellowstone National Park

(https://www.nps.gov/yell/learn/photosmultimedia/virtualtours.ht   m) ,

The Louvre Museum (https://www.louvre.fr/en/visites-en-lign e) ,

The Great Wall of China

(https://www.thechinaguide.com/destination/great-wall-of-chin a) , and more.

- Watch the Cincinnati Zoo live stream every day at 3:00 p.m. on their Facebook page:
  https://www.facebook.com/cincinnatizoo/
- Explore outer space with real footage of Mars' surface from NASA's Curiosity rover on Access Mars: https://accessmars.withgoogle.com/
- Take a look into Google Art and Culture Virtual Tours:
  https://artsandculture.google.com/
- Make your own home-made playdough:

https://www.iheartnaptime.net/play-dough-recipe/

- Listen to Josh Grady's story readings in the voice of "Olaf" from Disney's Frozen:

https://twitter.com/i/broadcasts/1vOxwoPrnYgxB

- Visit The Smithsonian's Science Education Center for fun and engaging educational activities: https://ssec.si.edu/explore-our-curriculum-resources?f[0]=field_is_free%3 A 1
- Participate in Dr. Seuss's Word Challenge and explore reading activities and games:
  https://www.seussville.com/
- Paper plate tic-tac-toe
  Use masking tape to make a 9 box tic-tac-toe grid on a carpet or floor and decorate paper plates with x's and o's
- DIY Drive-in movie
  Decorate cardboard boxes as cars- even use paper plates to make wheels.
  Then, let your kids sit in their "cars" while watching a movie.
- Classic games, such as freeze dance and musical chairs never get old!
- Bake treats such as cookies and cupcakes with your loved ones.
- Take a nature walk in your backyard.
- Have a dance party in your living room. Maybe you could dress up for this fun occasion!

- Face time relatives, and fill them in on the fun things you've been doing. Share and take in ideas.
- Grab a good book and have a family story time.
- Get artistic! Draw, color, paint, or whatever works in your situation.
- Hold a karaoke night and sing your heart out!

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- https://parade.com/1009774/stephanieosmanski/things-to-do-with-kids-during-coronavirus-quara ntine/#addthis
- https://morningchores.com/diy-indoor-activities/